Spread of adult education through non-official and honorary agency.

*514 Q.—The ZAMINDAR OF GOLLAPALLI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) in what stage the investigation of the Director of Public Instruction regarding the spread of adult education through un-official and honorary workers is ;

(b) whether any proposals have been received from Kistna district particularly from Nuzvid division ; if so, what they are ; and

(c) what is the amount that the Government propose to allot for the above scheme?

A.—(a) The attention of the hon. Member is invited to G.O. No. 746, Law (Education), dated 14th April 1928, a copy of which has been placed in the Council Library.

(b) Three schemes relating to the Kistna district have been received by the Director of Public Instruction, of which one relates to the Nuzvid division. This scheme is the proposal of the Self-Improving Society, Nuzvid, to conduct mass education by the publication of a pamphlet written in Telugu and its free distribution to establish circulating libraries and to organize magic lantern lectures.

(c) The scheme is under consideration by the Director of Public Instruction.

General

Tours of the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government.

*515 Q.—Mr. C. N. MUTHURANGA MUDALIYAR : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) why he stayed in Ootacamund, in September, although the offices of the Secretariat have come down to Madras ;

(b) whether he was absent from Madras after the September session of the Council, on any particular business in Ootacamund ;

(c) if answer to (b) be in the affirmative, the business on which he stayed in Ootacamund during the month of September after the September session of the Council ;

(d) how many days he stayed in Ootacamund in the month of September ;

(e) whether he came to Madras from Ootacamund on the 20th September and returned to Ootacamund the same evening ; and

(f) if answer to (e) be in the affirmative, the cost of the tour referred to in (e) and its object ?

A.—(a) He stayed in Ootacamund as His Excellency was there.

(b) Yes.

(c) As it was more convenient to be near His Excellency for purposes of transacting business.

(d) From the 9th to the end of the month.

(e) Yes.

(f) To atten the Select Committee meeting on the Local Boards and Municipalities Amendment Bill of Mr. Saldanha.

It is not possible to give the cost now as these journeys by railway are done by requisition and the cost of such journeys are only known later.

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Mr. S. SATYAMURTI :—" May I know, Sir, whether there is any practice or arrangement by which the stay of the Ministers at Madras or Ootacamund is guided, or whether this depends entirely upon the sense of administrative convenience of each Minister of Government ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" I do not know how this question was put down. But I don't object to its being put down as you came to the decision it ought to be put. I therefore bow to your ruling. I think, as far as the stay of Members of Government is concerned, they being in charge of the whole of the Presidency can stay anywhere they desire."

Local Boards

Nominations made by the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government.

* 516 Q.—Mr. S. SATYAMURTI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the number of nominations and the names of the persons nominated by him to Local Self-Government, Educational and Religious Endowments bodies under his control since the 15th of March last ; and

(b) the political party to which those nominees belong according to the information available to the Government ?

A.—(a) In regard to nominations to Municipal Councils, District Boards and Temple Committees the hon. Member will be able to obtain the information he requires from Part I-A of the *Fort St. George Gazette* which is supplied to all Members of the Legislative Council. A statement [a] showing the nominations made to educational bodies is laid on the table.

(b) The Government have no information as to the political party to which the nominees belong, except in the case of Members of the Legislative Council.

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know when the Collectors have been nominated ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The information the hon. Member wants, as I have said, will be found in the issues of the *Fort St. George Gazette.*"

Mr. A. KALESWARA RAO :—" May I know whether the Minister will be able to give the information ? "

The hon. Dr. P. SUBBARAYAN :—" The hon. Member ought to have taken the trouble to find out the thing he wants."

Religious and Charitable Endowments

Preparation of electoral roll for elections to temple committees in Anantapur district.

* 517 Q.—Mr. C. OBI REDDI : Will the hon. the Minister for Education and Local Self-Government be pleased to state—

(a) the number of temple committees in the district of Anantapur ;

a Printed as Appendix I on page 426 to 428 infra.